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Most of the Central Vermont wrecks are freight wrecks, fortunately enough.

At any rate Henry Ford is hauling the middle west voters out of the trenches in extraordinarily large clusters.

Being the first, and only, Vermont daily newspaper to print Governor Gates' 1916 Arbor day proclamation on Wednesday, April 19, perhaps the esteemed Brattleboro Reformer was the author of the document; and yet the document was signed by Charles Winslow Gates, governor, and "by the governor," Benjamin Gates, secretary of civil and military affairs.

When Vermont cows are capable of commanding a price of \$1,000 each, as in the case of that Chester-owned animal at the Bellows Falls sale, it is an indication that there is notable quality in Vermont cattle. For purposes of introduction to this first lady of Vermont cattle let us relate her name, which is as follows: Kitty Colantha Beets De-Kol.

With 100 workmen and presumably some foremen employed in the factory at the moment of the outbreak of the fire which destroyed a munitions shop in Rutland on Wednesday, it would seem to be possible that someone of the number must know the cause of the fire. In the investigation, providing there is to be an investigation, the evidence of the men ought to develop some facts which will determine the cause, to settle once for all whether there is any ground for suspicion of malevolent design.

"Bend your knees," shouted the operator to the occupants of his elevator, which began to descend without control, gaining momentum as it dropped. Every one of the seven passengers complied except one man. When the elevator came to a sudden halt at the bottom of the shaft everyone of the occupants was able to step out except the man who had failed to comply with the suggestion of the operator. He sustained the fracture of one thigh and other injuries. The occurrence was in a New York skyscraper. The lesson is worth bearing in mind by everyone who enters an elevator—"Bend your knees."

As an item of encouragement for the resumption of activity by the Barre Board of Trade it ought to be stated that the balance in the treasury of the organization at the opening of the year is considerably larger than that to be found in the treasury of several similar organizations throughout Vermont, and that, too, in spite of the fact that little or no attempt was made during the last year to collect dues of the members. The Bennington Board of Trade, for instance, which is quite an active body although small in numbers, started the present year with \$245 as against Barre's \$1,162. The Barre Board of Trade has a very good financial standing at the outset of its renewed efforts.

THE RUSSIAN SUCCESS.

The Russian army of the Caucasus has been making steady, if slow, progress in its conquest of territory in Asiatic Turkey, the most notable recent result being the capture of the city of Trebizond on the coast of the Black sea and reckoned as one of the strongest positions of the Turks in that section of the loose-jointed nation. This capture, following the seizure of Erzerum, another strong position, several weeks ago, places the Russian invading army considerably in the ascendancy, with the Turks reduced to a defensive position and driven back constantly. But in spite of these important victories, this Russian army has as yet merely entered Turkish territory, the cities of Erzerum and Trebizond being located but a comparatively short distance beyond the southern border of Russia herself. The line of invasion has been in a general westerly direction toward the city of Constantinople, but Constantinople lies at the far western end of Asiatic Turkey and 575 miles away from the city of Trebizond, with mountain ranges traversing much of the region lying between the two cities. Therefore, it will be seen that Russia's task of approaching Constantinople from the east, if such was the original plan of this section of the nation's military forces, is but just started; the bulk of the difficulty lies ahead. It is to be doubted whether this army would be able to approach Constantinople from the east and hope to accomplish any useful purpose because the army would be so far removed from its own base and connected by a thinly protected line. However, if this force should next turn its attention toward the work of cutting off the Turkish army which is now being besieged by the British in the Tigris region it would accomplish much more immediate results of consequence and would contribute materially toward the dismemberment of the Turkish domain. Perhaps, with the Trebizond menace out of the way, the army will face southward and endeavor to accomplish this bottling-up process.

RUSSIA'S AID ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

While it is probable that the French report of the "strong force" of Russians at least is admitted everywhere that

disembarked at Marseilles can be discounted to a certain extent, the movement nevertheless has a great deal of significance as bearing on the prospects of the war on the western front. A large number of transports would be required to transport an army—an army such as the term has come to mean in this European war—through the roundabout course from Archangel, through the White sea, the Arctic ocean, the Atlantic ocean and finally into the Mediterranean sea. Nothing short of a fleet of 20 transports would be required to carry such an army; and it is not probable that any fleet of that size landed their forces at Marseilles on Thursday, April 20. However, it is to be expected that the arrival of this initial force of Russians is but the forerunner of other accretions to the entente allies' strength on the western front from the vast human resources of the czar's empire. Russia has millions of reserves and has little opportunity to use them to advantage because of the inability to keep up in the matter of providing armament and munitions. On the other hand, Great Britain and France are rather restricted as to human units for conducting war but they do have fairly adequate sources of supply in armament and munitions. If, therefore, Russia is able to spare 100,000, or 250,000 men from her own operations on three great war fronts, they can be turned to powerful advantage by Great Britain and France in resistance to the inroads of the Germans in France and Belgium. And, too, placed under leadership of the veteran and trained heads of the British and French armies on the western front, these Russian forces ought to be able to give a splendid account of themselves. A drawback to the Russian soldier heretofore, if we may take the expressions of military experts to be accurate, has been the lack of fully efficient leadership. The men have been willing to fight but haven't been most capably led. On the western front they will be accorded capable leadership. Hence, the Russian force there should be a powerful aid in a trying period for the British and French.

SHRUNKEN PATRIOTS!

For many months, or ever since the first stirrings of the machinery of presidential politics, the government of the United States as represented by Woodrow Wilson has been attacked for a temporizing policy with respect to certain belligerents in the European war, for its alleged failure to adopt a strong, virile attitude to prevent the infraction of international rules of warfare and for various other deficiencies. Possibly there was ground for some of the complaint.

the administration did not take a vigorous position to assert the rights of humanity. Since that time the attacks have not only been kept up but they have increased in intensity. Why a jellyfish government? they shouted. Why a China-fled United States? And various other things highly uncomplimentary to the administration. All the time the administration, we believe, was acting in good faith, in an earnest effort to uphold the honor and dignity of the United States and yet not to force the United States into a terrible war. Still the occasions multiplied in which it seemed that the belligerents failed to abide by the rules of warfare and by the common demands of humanity. There came a time, therefore, when the forbearance of the government as represented by Woodrow Wilson, could be maintained no longer. The limit of human patience was reached. In accordance therewith, the administration adopted that virile, even defiant, attitude, for which there had been such a clamor. An ultimatum was sent to Germany.

Immediately with the dispatching of that ultimatum there came a change in the attitude of those very elements which had been accusing the administration of a jellyfish make-up. Their faces became long. They shook their heads. They, finally, uttered words of doubt as to the wisdom of the particular choice of courses made by the president. They all at once became apprehensive of the result of the ultimatum. In short, they got what they had been clamoring for; and then they turned their backs on the persons who had secured it for them. They became politicians forthwith, not patriots. Instead of standing behind the president of the United States in a crucial period, they went and stood on the other corner. Instead of giving the man at the head of the government the support which he had a right to expect they slouched off and declared they were not responsible for the position of the United States. At the same time they accuse the president of the United States with "playing politics" when the fate of the nation is in the balance. There have been no more disgusting revelations of the shifty and unreliable character of some so-called American statesmanship than this. But now and then there stands out clearly a man who is first a patriot, a politician afterwards. We refer to Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, who seems to have a sense of the responsibility of his position as well as of his Americanism. We wish there were more men like him in Congress. His attitude ought to be an example for every other man in those halls at a time of real crisis.



There is no time in the whole year when your dress is so important as this week.

There is no time when so many people are buying new apparel.

There is no place in Barre where you'll find a better showing of Clothing, Hats, Furnishings for men and boys, and shoes for the whole family, than at

Rogers'

Spring suits and overcoats, \$10 to \$25.

Hats, \$2, \$3 and \$4.

New nobby neckwear, 25c, 50c and 65c.

Walk-Over Shoes for men and women, \$3.50 to \$7.00. Other makes, \$2.00 to \$4.00.

Boys' and girls' shoes, \$1.50 to \$3.50.

F. H. Rogers & Co.
We Clean, Press, and Repair Clothing

Rogers' Walk-Over
Boot Shop

WILLIAMSTOWN

Methodist church—Easter day services will be observed on Sunday. Appropriate music and preaching. People without a church home cordially invited to attend. Morning service commences at 11 o'clock.

There are still a few copies of the Barre Hospital cook book on sale at the library. The recipes have been tried and found to be good and the proceeds of the sales go to benefit the hospital. Ask the librarian, Mrs. Randall, to show you a copy.

Fred D. Alger went to Underhill the 18th, returning the next day with his auto. C. Ray George, who had been in Burlington for a few days attending a meeting of the Sons of Veterans, returned with him from Essex Junction.

A force of men have been at work for a few days past in digging up and thawing out the pipes of the Beckett water system, which were found to be frozen for quite a distance each way from the corner of Main and Depot streets. The work was finished and the water turned on the 20th.

Mrs. Laura Ainsworth and Miss Mary Waterman arrived at home yesterday from Claremont, N. H., where they have been for the past month.

Supt. Beaman's new Ford was delivered to him yesterday. Rural Carrier Clogston will have his as soon as the roads are suitable for using a car to deliver the mail. Albert H. Norris will exchange his Maxwell for a new up-to-date car made by the same firm and Vernon B. Savery will also have a Maxwell.

Congregational church—Good Friday at 7:30 p. m., thank offering meeting of the ladies' missionary society with stereopticon views of "Women of the Orient." Easter Sunday, morning worship and sermon at 10:45, Easter music by the choir. Communion and reception of members. Sunday school at 12:15 p. m. Union service in the M. E. church at 7:30 p. m.

Capt. Albert S. Cowles has finished his engagement with W. V. Greenman and is now in the employ of William E. Randall.

Harry Whitney has sold the farm lately bought of Alven M. Smith to W. J. Clapp of Barre at a substantial advance over the price paid. Mr. Whitney will stay on the farm for the present.

Grover Hutchinson of New York City is in town and is looking at various farm properties with the intention of buying.

Henry C. House, who has been quite sick with a complication of diseases for several weeks, is somewhat improved and is able to be up and about the house a part of the time.

Saturday is the last day of the Kenyon store sale. Everything must go at the afternoon and evening auction. Sale starts at 1:30 and 7 o'clock. Call in this evening and Saturday morning. Goods sold at private sale also, at your own price.—adv.

Latest Styles

IN EASTER FOOTWEAR AT SHEA'S

We have a complete line of up-to-the-minute footwear for every member of the family at money-saving prices.

Women's White Nu Buck
Lace Boots
\$4.50 pair



Over 40 styles of Women's new spring Shoes in the latest models. Pat., Kid, Gun, Velour, Bronze, White Nu Buck leathers.

\$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 to \$6.00 pair

Men's Spring Dress Shoes



Elite Shoes for men who care to dress well

MEN'S OXFORDS

Our men's stock of low Shoes is the largest yet, and we have a Shoe at a price that every man's pocketbook will reach.

\$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 to \$6.50

Ask to see our \$3.00 Good-year Welts. They are winners.

Your pennies will look like dollars if you trade at Shea's Shoe Store

SALE IN FULL BLAST

The Opportunity of a Life Time for You

The Vaughan Store Sale of All Sales

Buy your Easter wants in this sale. Everything here for you to wear Easter Sunday. Easter Suits, Easter Coats, Easter Waists, Gloves, Neckwear, Hose, Underwear, and to fully realize the great bargains to be found here you must visit the store yourself.

THE VAUGHAN STORE

FINAL VICTORY FOR APOLLO.

Defeated Vincitia Club at Fourth Tournament Last Evening.

The final leg of the annual mid-winter tournament in billiards, pool and whist between Vincitia club of this city and Apollo club of Montpelier was played off in Montpelier last evening and resulted in a victory for the Montpelier club by a score of 11 to 6. This gives the Capital city club the possession of this season's cup, as they have a total of 41 points to Vincitia's 31. The first tournament, held in this city, went to the local club by a score of 12 to 6. The return match played in Montpelier gave the Apollo club a lead of two points on the total, as they won that leg by a score of 13 to 5. The third leg, played in this city March 22, again went to the Montpelier club, with a score of 11 to 8. The scores last night were as follows:

Billiards.		Apollo.	
Vincitia.	61	Huntington	100
Lynde	95	Putnam	100
White	95	Phillips	100
Lundgren	61	Long	100
Brady	100	Mower	100
Milne	98		

Pool.		Apollo.	
Vincitia.	75	Scott	58
Langlois	75	Smith	71
Philip	43	Ludden	75
Farrand	33	Chamberlain	75
Bishop			

Whist.

(Vincitia names first) Tracy and Carroll 6; Stratton and Volholm 6; Biebee and Mackay 8; Bailey and Callahan 14; Lewis and Morse 5; Fitzgerald and Jayne 6; Bell and Julian 1; Blanchard and Wheaton 7; McKay and Houston 8; Briggs and Odell 3; Jackson and Rogers 8; Howland and Laird 10; Averill and Cole 8; Abbott and Pitkin 11; White and Phelps 10; Brooks and Greene 7; Hutchinson and Ballard 9; Jones and Biebee 7; total, Vincitia 3, Apollo 5; total for evening, Vincitia 6, Apollo 11; total for season, Vincitia 31, Apollo 41.

SCHOOLMATES AS BEARERS

At Funeral of Maurice R. Gray, Who Was Drowned.

The funeral of Maurice Raymond Gray, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gray of 104 North Seminary street, who lost his life in the river near Blackwell street Monday night, was held at the house Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Children from the Brook street school, where the lad was a student, attended the funeral in numbers and others present included the superintendent and a teacher from the Congregational Sunday school and the second grade teacher from the public school where the little fellow attended. The bearers were four schoolmates, John Romer, Stanley White, Alexander Ingram and David Gilbertson. Interment was in the family lot at Hope cemetery.

Among the floral tributes were the fol-

lowing contributions: Carnations, Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Graig and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Geale, Mr. and Mrs. James Wood of Montpelier, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Main, Mr. and Mrs. Mowatt, Mr. and Mrs. George Riddell, Mr. and Mrs. William Rossi, calla lilies, Alexander Birnie; daffodils, Mr. and Mrs. Bennet Julian; carnations, Lillian and Bernard Rogers; Easter lilies and tulips, schoolmates of the Brook street school; carnations, Miss Alice Blanchard, school teacher; carnations, Mrs. G. Hay, Mrs. W. Jeffrey, Mrs. W. Neilson, Mrs. C. Milne, Mrs. G. England, Mrs. Broggi and Mrs. Stella of Northfield; pillow, "Maurice," family; carnations and carnations, Mrs. Will, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Finney; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Deane and family; roses, W. Smith and family; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. I. Riddell, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown; daffodils, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gordon; roses, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pitts; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. James Scott; carnations and roses, neighbors; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. R. Mutch, Harry and Mary Burnett, Miss Marion Robertson, Miss Elizabeth Robertson, Mrs. Paulina Cerasoli; calla lilies, Mr.

and Mrs. James Smith of White River Junction; roses, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morrison; daffodils, Miss Spear; roses, Mrs. J. D. Smith; daffodils, Mrs. John Paul; carnations, Mrs. Alex. Fowle, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barclay, teacher and Sunday school class of the Congregational church; hepaticas, school children; carnations, Miss Jeannie Carson; red and white tulips strewn around casket, schoolmates and teacher grade 2, Brook street school; mayflowers, grade 2, Brook street school.

Helping the Game Along.

The midnight stillness of the darkened parlor was punctuated by a crash just overhead.

"What-wha-what was that Aud-dud-dud-darling?" exclaimed the timid young man.

"Merely father dropping a hint," she replied, as she snuggled a little closer.—Judge.

Lost Opportunity.

"Father went off in a good humor this morning," observed the daughter.

"Heavens!" exclaimed the mother, suddenly remembering. "That reminds me, I forgot to ask him for any money!"—Chicago Tribune.

New Spring Shoes

The new Spring Shoes are now in, and we're showing a wealth of choice models in high or low-cut creations. We've the Shoes that will play an all-important part in the toilette of the women who expect to appear at their best this spring.

COME SEE THE BEAUTIES

The People's Shoe Store

C. S. Andrews, Prop. 187 No. Main St., Barre, Vt.

MR. SUGARMAKER

We are buying Maple Sugar this spring as usual. Let us hear from you.

M. J. WHITCOMB, East Barre

PEOPLE'S AND N. E. TELEPHONES

Buy Your Easter Candies

at Russell's

APOLLO CHOCOLATES IN EASTER BOXES 60c to \$2.25

MILK CHOCOLATES 39c

EXTRA SPECIAL 20c Community Silver Spoon FREE

with a box of Guth's Temptation Fruits in Cream—Peaches, Strawberry, Pine-apple, Whole Seedless Raisins, etc. 50c

Extra Special for To-day and Saturday

Perfume Atomizer FREE with every ounce of Perfume or with every Bottle of Toilet Water

Every lady making a \$1.00 purchase on Saturday will be given a Trial Box of Apollo Chocolates

Red Feather Ginger Ale, made from Balardvale Spring Water, America's best Water, 5c per glass

Russell's, The Red Cross Pharmacy